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Docket No. K0103-US/OH 10/025570

To the Commissioner of Patents:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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corresponding to Japanese applications Nos. 2000-394416 filed December 26, 2000; 2001-077555 filed March 19, 2001; and 2001-290539 filed September 25, 2001, entitled: METHOD FOR PRODUCING PACKED TOFU

Enclosed are:

Х	17 pages of specification.
Х	16 sheets of formal drawings.
Х	a newly-executed declaration of the inventors.
Х	Abstract.
	incorporation by reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied as indicated in the preceding box, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
Х	an assignment of the invention to KIKKOMAN CORPORATION, including assignment cover sheet.
	Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449.
	copies of the Information Disclosure Statement citations.
	preliminary amendment.
Х	return receipt postcard (MPEP 503), specifically itemized.
	a verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27.
	applicant claim small entity status.
	a certified copy of the Priority Document.
Χ	other: Application Data Sheet.

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